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Federal Jury Finds Local Tax Preparer Guilty

United States Attorney David E. O'Meilia and Erick Martinez, Special Agent in Charge of the Dallas Field Office of the Internal Revenue Service - Criminal Investigations, announced that a local tax preparer was found guilty by a federal jury in Tulsa of submitting fraudulent income tax returns.

Robert S. Miles, age 65, of Tulsa, was found guilty of nine counts of submitting falsified Form 1040 personal income tax returns to the IRS. He reported his business income and his total income as "0" on the Form 1040 documents he submitted for nine consecutive calendar years from 1996 through 2004. He also failed to submit the required Schedule C attachments for those same years. Miles, a commercial tax preparer and longtime operator of an accounting and bookkeeping service in Tulsa, was charged in a Grand Jury indictment issued in January 2008 and he was arrested at his Tulsa business office on January 14.

Sentencing in the matter is scheduled for July 30, 2008, after the completion of a pre-sentence investigation. He faces a maximum prison sentence of up to three years per count and/or a \$250,000 fine per count or a total of 27 years in federal prison. Miles was released on his original bond pending sentencing, but electronic monitoring by the U.S. Probation Office was added as a condition.

U.S. District Judge James H. Payne is presiding in the case. The prosecution of the matter was handled by Assistant U.S. Attorney Kenneth Snoke. The investigation was undertaken by the Tulsa Office of the IRS Criminal Investigation Division.